SENATE BILL 116

By Kurita

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 7, relative to building codes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-3-710, is amended by deleting subdivision (4) in its entirety and by renumbering the subsequent subdivisions accordingly.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-3-708, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Promulgate, in coordination with other standards and codes, energy and lighting efficiency building standards for new and renovated buildings in this state. Such standards will be mandatory for all building construction or renovation begun after they take effect. Such standards will be administered by local governments, and if such governments have standards equal to or stricter than the authority standards, the local standards will control;

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.